

June 2007

Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter



LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring your appetite and a few bucks for pizza. **Next meeting date is June 12, 2007.**

Summer Fun in Bozeman

Summer Fun in Bozeman is returning to the Gallatin County Fairgrounds June 16th & 17th, 2007. Remember how much fun you had at the horse show last year? Well, this year we expect it to be even bigger and better. We have added classes for the **"Colt to Maturity"** participants which include: 1 & 2 year old halter, lunge line and Trail in Hand. **APHA** members - come show your paint horses in the APHA Specialty Show! We have reduced entry fees for 4-H members and many High Point awards to be awarded at the end of the show. Plan on attending the **"Luau Dinner"** on Saturday Night for good food and fun! Pick up your entry form at the 4-H office or on-line at www.gallatinextension.com. For more information contact Maria Jerome at 388-0849 or Katie Cooper at 388-1624 or any 4-H Horse Committee member.

Montana 4-H Congress (Attention all Public Speakers, Fashion Revue Contestants, Livestock & Horse Judging Team Members, Anyone with a Talent for the Talent Show, or Teens That Just Want to Have FUN!!)

This is your Passport to Adventure. Meet Your Friends at 4-H Congress on July 10-13 at MSU. Montana 4-H Congress provides youth from across the state an opportunity to come together on the Montana State University campus in Bozeman for 4 days and participate in an event like no other.



Congress offers both youth and adults a venue in which to learn, be challenged, and most of all have a great time with their peers. Its purpose is to provide a safe and fun environment for youth to experience all that 4-H congress has to offer including: contests, workshops, entertainment, social events and much more. This year's planning committee has worked hard to create an exciting time for you here at Congress that builds on the theme of adventure. Whether you are coming to excel in a contest, experience campus life, check out MSU for college, or just re-connect with old friends, this year's Congress will reward your travel with lots of positive memories. Contact the Extension Office at 201 West Madison, Suite 300, Belgrade (east of Lee & Dads grocery in the Valley Professional Offices, Building #2) or call 388-3213 for an application or more information. **Enrollment deadline is June 15th.**

"CANSTRUCTION" Together we can build the world!

Each year during Congress, 4-H members from across the state participate in a community service project. **YOUR CHALLENGE IS**



TO BRING CANS OF TUNA FISH WITH GREEN AND BLUE LABELS TO CONGRESS. This year, we will be building a 3-dimensional model of the globe! Donations of 6 oz. cans of tuna with blue or green labels will be collected. The County with the largest "can count" will receive a special recognition and a prize during the Awards Showcase on Wednesday night. Drop off your cans of tuna at the 4-H office.

Attention Cloverbuds: Watch next months newsletter for information about the Cloverbud Day Camp!!!

Shooting Sports Leader Training

Yellowstone County will offer Shooting Sports Leader Training in Billings on July 27 and 28. They will offer two disciplines, rifle and archery. If interested, please contact the Gallatin County Extension office for entry form.



4-H Teams Needed for Sporting Clays Shoot

The Gallatin Valley YMCA is seeking two, four-person youth teams to participate in their annual “Bang for the Buck” Sporting Clays Fundraiser to be held Wednesday, June 13th at 2:00 p.m. at the sporting clays range near Logan. This is the third year of this popular fundraiser and 4-H teams have participated each year. Youth must be 12 years old or older and may bring their own equipment or use the shotguns provided. Adults will walk the course with each team. There is no entry fee for 4-Hers and 12-gauge ammunition is also provided at no cost (maybe 20-gauge). Registration is filling up fast; so if you’re interested, please call the 4-H Office at 388-3213 as soon as possible to get on a team. Try it just for fun. You don’t have to be an expert to have a good time and raise money for a good cause. Call soon.

4-H Youth Trap Shoot

Broadwater County will host a 4-H Youth Trap Shoot on August 18, 2007 at 9:00 AM at the Broadwater Rod & Gun Club Range 96 Canton Lane, Townsend, Montana. This is open to any member of a 4-H shooting sports program. There are four age groups: Group One: Age 9 –11, Group Two: Age 12 – 14, Group Three: Age 15 – 18, Group Four: Age 9 – 18 Doubles. ****4-H age is determined by age as of October 1, 2006** Contact the Extension 4-H office for entry form.

3rd Annual Glasgow Feather Fest

The Glasgow Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture, Inc. invites you to the 3rd Annual Glasgow Feather Fest, “*A Celebration of our Prairie Birds*” to be held from June 8th to 10th. This is your opportunity to learn more about Montana prairie birds. There are four fields trip to participate in along with a couple programs. We have added a special rate this year for a family of 4. Contact the Gallatin County 4-H office for more information.

Fair Job List:

Each time a 4-H project or a 4-H club uses the Fairgrounds facilities, there is a charge incurred for building and equipment rentals. If your project or club has used the Fairgrounds and you would like to help pay off the bill owed to the Fairgrounds, contact the Extension office or the Fairgrounds office for a job list. Each point is worth \$1.00 and will be applied to the 4-H bill. If you or your club has another idea for an improvement at the Fairgrounds, call the Fairgrounds office at 582-3270 and they will discuss it. You can have items donated (paint, lumber, trees, shrubs, gravel, ...) or work various jobs for credit. When you schedule a work project, it is very important that you advise the Fairground’s office staff where you want the credit applied. Stop by the 4-H office to view the job list and help pay off the 4-H bill.



Camps:

Willow Creek Classic Camp - "Hellgate Campground, Canyon Ferry Lake", June 9-10

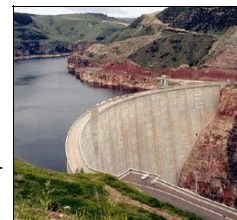
Registration is now open for families interested in attending the Willow Creek Classic, a natural resources camp for youth and adults interested in history, geology, wildlife, agriculture, and conservation. The Willow Creek Classic began in Gallatin County in 1984 near Willow Creek, MT and remained there for six years until a decision was made to rotate the event among several counties. This year, the camp will be held near Canyon Ferry Lake in the Hellgate Campground on June 9th and 10th. The camp will begin at noon on Saturday, June 9th with a barbecue lunch. Afternoon classes will include a presentation on the Canyon Ferry Dam by the Department of Reclamation and a tour of area Native American pictographs by the U.S. Forest Service. Dinner will be served at 5:30 and a program on edible wild plants will round out the evening. Sunday morning classes include a boating safety program by the U.S. Coast Guard and an introduction to sailing. The camp concludes immediately after lunch on Sunday. The Willow Creek Classic is designed as a family experience. Children and their parents are asked to attend together and bring their own camping gear. The group campsite at Hellgate Campground can accommodate RVs, trailers, and tents. The registration fee is \$17.50 per person with a \$60 family maximum. Registration includes all meals, workshop fees, campground fees, and educational materials from Saturday noon through Sunday noon! Please pre-register with the Gallatin County Extension Office by Monday, June 4, 2007. Late registrations will be accepted only on first come, first served basis if space is available. There will be a late fee of \$5.00 per person after June 4th. The event capacity is 60.

Summer Camp - "Shift Into High Gear-Cars the Movie" Hyalite Camp, June 19-22

The Gallatin County 4-H Summer Camp is for campers ages 9-19 interested in outdoors & hands on experiences. Campers are provided the opportunity to develop positive relationships with other campers, teens, and adults. Join us for "Favorite Sports Team Night", "Movie Stars/Music Stars Night", and "Cars the Movie/NASCAR Night" plus hiking, canoeing, fishing, arts/crafts, dances, nightly campfire circle, and lots more fun stuff.. Junior Leaders go up Sunday, June 17 and regular campers go up Tuesday, June 19. The cost for Junior Leaders is \$115 and regular members pay \$75. Check with your club leaders or Unlimited Council for information regarding help with funds for this event. There are scholarships available. To avoid late fees you must turn in a completed registration form and payment by Monday, June 4, 2007.

Cross County 4-H Exchange Trip Announced

The Big Horn County 4-H Program has invited Gallatin County 4-H youth, ages 9-12, to participate in a cross-county exchange trip this August. Gallatin County families will host Big Horn County Youth on the weekend of August 10-12 and then travel to Big Horn County on August 17-19. This is a great way to meet new people, make new friends, and learn new things. Big Horn County has planned a great weekend for our youth including a trip to the Little Big Horn Battle Field and Museum, a tour of the Yellowtail Dam, an introduction to Crow Indian dancing and music, and a barbecue and breakfast. The sights to see and things to do in the Gallatin County arena are open to suggestion but may include the Lewis and Clark Caverns and Virginia City. The cost to participate will be around \$30 per person. If interested, please contact the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office (4-H) at 388-3213 for complete details. The capacity of the exchange is 25 youth, so please contact us as soon as possible. Chaperones also wanted.



Yellowtail Dam

Congratulations Seniors!!!

We hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the windows of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known. ~Author Unknown



Becky Andrews, Jeffery Bryant, Caley Chadwick, Jordon Dykstra, Michelle Everett, Shay Fiegi, Britta Garbe, Jenny Haugland, Katie Holland, Marisa Lucke, Teri Martindale, Monica Russell, PJ Snider, Molly Spencer, Nicole Taranto, Courtney Wronko

Fair Concession Manager Needed

Attention Clubs, we are looking for someone to takeover the 4-H concessions at the Summer Fair. This is a paid position. Fair concessions is one of our biggest fund raisers for the 4-H Council. The 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council helps many 4-Hers each year with books and project materials, scholarships for camps, trips, etc. If you are interested in becoming the concession manager, please contact us at 388-3213. If you have more questions, please call us.

Arts & Crafts

The Arts & Craft group will be meeting the 4th Thursday of June (the 28th) at 6:30. Please call if planning to attend as the meeting place will be announced later in the month. Call Belinda Mooney at 285-6827 for more information. Cost will be \$2.00 per child.



Crochet, Knitting, and Embroidery Project

Our next meeting is 6:30 pm. on June 14, 2007 at Rocky Mountain Supply.



Dog Agility

4-H Dog Agility will meet on **Thursdays** from 4:15 - 5:30 at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. Please contact Nancy Creel at 522-7748 if you have any questions.



Dog Obedience

Dog Obedience Project will meet June 19th at 6:30 at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds Building #3. Please contact Shannon at 560-3425 if you have any questions.



Got Milk? Get a Goat!

Join the goat project and learn about dairy goats, meet other members that are into goats and most of all, have fun! Dairy goats are friendly, fun and are very easy to train. No large pasture needed to keep a goat, just a small pen and daily exercise. (Great for weed control, too!) For more information call Bob Spring 388-2358



Livestock Judging

Anytime you are interested in a workshop, Scott Perkins at Headwaters Livestock will be available. Please contact Nancy Chesterfield at 284-3525 and she will let you know how to contact Scott. We currently have one senior team and one junior team, but we can always have more.

Big Timber - June 23rd. Contact the Sweetgrass County Extension office at 932-5146 for information.

Park County will be holding a livestock judging contest June 24th at the Park County Fairgrounds. Pre-registration is due June 18th. Cost is \$8.00 (includes lunch). Contact information is Nicole Wines, cattlesale@wispwest.net or 406-220-3329. Forms are available at the Gallatin County 4-H office.

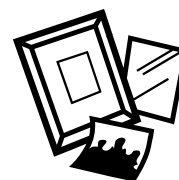


Round Robin Workshop - June 28th, 2007

The Round Robin Workshop is an opportunity for 4-H members in large or small animal projects to learn techniques in showing all species. During the Gallatin County Fair, the judge in each species of livestock and small animals selects the top show person. These selected champions (excluding dogs, cats, and pocket pets) then go on to the Round Robin Contest where participants show all species and an all-around Grand and Reserve Champion is determined. In other words, the Round Robin winners are the champions of all champions. So be prepared and attend the Round Robin workshop on Thursday, June 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the Indoor Arena at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. If you need further information, please feel free to call the 4-H Office at 388-3213.

Photography

The last photography meeting for this year will be held June 21 at 6:30 pm at the Belgrade Middle School cafeteria. Bring your fair photos and we will talk about different kinds of matting and how to matte your photos. Call if you have questions. Kathy 388-3159 (phone # was incorrect in last newsletter)



Rabbit

There will be a rabbit workshop on June 12 at 2:00 p.m. at Brenda's house. We will cover record books and getting ready for fair. Call Brenda at 284-6434 for directions.



Sheep

June 23rd at 9:00 am we will be weighing lambs at Rocky Mountain Supply in Belgrade. If you are curious where your lamb is at regarding its weight, this weigh-in will let you know.



June 28th at 7:00 pm at the Indoor Arena at the Fairgrounds there will be a round robin workshop. See above for more information. This will count towards one of your required workshops.

July 5th at 6:30 pm we will have a fitting workshop at Sally Smith's. This will count as a workshop. Call Sally at 388-7238 for directions.

July 11th and 12th we will slick shear 4-H members lambs at the Fairgrounds from 4:30-8:00. We will be charging \$10.00 per lamb this year. If you shear your own lamb, this will count as one of your workshop requirements. Call Nancy at 284-3525 to set up a time or sign up at the Round Robin workshop.

Vet Science

This will be the last meeting. Please come and join us at Double Diamond Vet Tuesday June 12th at 6 p.m. If you have any questions please call Shawna at 539-0895.



Horse

HORSE COMMITTEE INFO: Horse Committee Members: Shannon Brooks, 388-0886; Misty Radue, 388-6655; Amy Lewis, 580-6693; Barb Barber 282-7030; Jeff Cooper, 388-1624; Edie Baker, 285-3657



Horse ID Cards must be turned in by June 1st. You must have a card for every horse you use. This includes your Rodeo horse. Your going to fair and lease contracts also are due June 1st. Pick both of these up at the 4-H office.

Ranch Horse & Reining for FAIR will be held on **Saturday, June 23rd** at 9:00 a.m. at the Circle L Arena. **Timed Events for FAIR** will be held on **Sunday, June 24th** at Three Forks Arena at 11:00 am. Your entry forms for these events are available in the 4-H office or online at www.gallatinextension.com. Entry forms must be turned in by **June 12**.

Horse Committee Fundraiser – Jackpot

Open Barrel race on **June 24th at 11:00 am** at the Three Forks Arena in conjunction with the 4-H Timed Events Day. To enter Jackpot, you need to pay a \$25.00 jackpot fee the day of the race. You can still run, without jackpotting, as a 4-H level 4 & up for no fee. Need to enter at the 4-H office by **June 12th**.

WORKSHOPS:

C2M: June 3rd at 1:00 at Barb's house. **June 30th**, 10:00 at Three Forks. Call Barb at 282-7030 if you have any questions.

June 7th: Record Book workshop 6:00-8:00 in the Sale Pavilion at the Fairgrounds

June 9th: English Clinic at the Three Forks Arena. This workshop is for all Levels. Levels 4 and up can participate in a jumping clinic in the afternoon. If you are interested in Dressage, call Shannon. To pre-register for this clinic, call Shannon at 388-0886 to schedule a time.

June 28th: Showmanship Clinic: 5:00-7:00 (Before the Round Robin Workshop) at the Indoor Arena. Pre-register with Shannon at 388-0886. See Round Robin Workshop information on page 5.

July 10th: Grooming Clinic & Show Clothing, horses optional, 6:00-8:00, Indoor Arena with Katie Cooper. Pre-register with Katie at 388-1624.

SADDLE STARS ANNUAL 4-H RODEO:

Saturday, June 2nd at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds, Grand Entry at 9:45. Come join the fun, participate in barrel racing, goat tying, pole bending, ribbon race, cow daubing (level 4 or higher) and team penning (level 4 or higher, requires 3 people). We will also turn this rodeo around and have the kids announce and the Leaders can participate and show their skills. Pick up your entry form at the office or the day of the rodeo (sign-ups at 8:30 am on the day of the rodeo).

We are in need of sponsorships for MSHSA (show) in June. Bring items to the 4-H office. Call Barb for information. We take anything: money, gifts, etc....no kids though.

Spanish Peak Adventures will be selling wrist bands to help Katie Holland defray medical costs. Wristbands will be \$3.00 each. Watch for them.

Only 2 trailers per club will be allowed to remain at the Fairgrounds for Fair! All clubs need to have this arranged before Fair! If you have any questions regarding this, contact a Horse Committee Member for answers.

Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council
May 08, 2007
MacKenzie River Pizza, Belgrade, MT

CALL TO ORDER: 6:41pm by President, Kathy Cheney.

ROLL CALL: Council members present were Kathy Cheney, Chris Phipps, Kelley Phipps, Betsy Heckel, and Todd Kesner. Guests present were Sarah Phipps and Sonja Berg.

SECRETARY'S REPORTS: Betsy moved, seconded by Chris, that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: A thank you card was received from Cody Francis thanking the Council for paying her way to Rec Lab.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kelley moved, seconded by Betsy, that the Treasurer's Report be approved as written. Motion carried.

GUEST PRESENTATIONS: Sarah Phipps presented a personal thank you to the Council for the award received as a result of her Honorable Mentioned placing in the 11-13 year old demonstration.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sonja thanked the Council for supporting those attending the MSU Horsemanship camp.

COMMITTEE AND LEADER REPORTS:

- State Rec. Lab: Rec Lab was a huge success bringing in 215 kids and great reviews.
- Demo Day: 50 kids participated in Demo Day, making it the largest turnout to date.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Coupon Cards: We were approached again about the coupon cards. Todd mentioned that they may go over better if they were more geared to 4-H activities. This is something the Council is willing to look at again after Fair.
- Fairgrounds News: The Fairgrounds would like to cut us down to one building for posters, clothing, etc. The council believes one building will not provide adequate space. The Fairgrounds will no longer be printing the 4-H portion on the Fair Book, and that 4-H would have to supply that section.
- Big Horn County Exchange: Big Horn County would like us to host their members on August 9 - 11, 2007, and they would like to host Gallatin County members on August 17 - 19, 2007. The Council is concerned that finding host families could be an issue.
- Equine Law Clinic Scholarship Application: Betsy moved, seconded by Kelley, to approve the scholarship, with fees being taken from Leader Training: State Leaders Forum. Motion carried.
- Camp CIT Scholarship Request: Kelley moved, seconded by Betsy, to scholarship the teen in the amount of \$115.00, to be taken from Late Fees. Motion carried.
- Joint Concessions with the Lions Club: The joint concessions with the Lions Club will not be happening as they are not getting back with us. Ginny would not like to do concession for another year, so we are in search for someone willing to take on the task.
- Bookkeeper Stipend: Todd reported that we can pay out up to \$600.00 without the need to contact the IRS and issue a Form 1099 Misc. Betsy moved, seconded by Chris to pay a stipend of \$600.00 from Late Fees. Motion carried. It was suggested that this become a budgeted line item.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- June 9-10, 2007 ~ Willow Creek Classic at Canyon Ferry
- June 14, 2007 ~ Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting
- June 17-22, 2007 ~ 4-H Summer Camp
- July 10-13, 2007 ~ Montana 4-H Congress
- July 18-22, 2007 Gallatin County Fair
- July 26, 2006 ~ Gallatin 4-H Foundation Summer Meeting
- March 6-9, 2008 WRLF 2008 in Boise Idaho [Http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/wrlf/](http://www.4h.uidaho.edu/wrlf/)

ADJOURNED: The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm by President, Kathy Cheney.

Acting Secretary: Kelley Phipps



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State 4-H Horse Show Information from Missoula County

Missoula County will host the 2007 State 4-H Horse Show September 14-16, at the Sapphire Event Center in Corvallis, Montana. Many dedicated volunteers are working diligently to pull this show together. We got a bit of a late start, so if it seems like you haven't received a particular piece of information on the usual schedule, please be patient. We will work closely with the State 4-H Horse Committee and with Sandy Gagnon on campus to get all the necessary forms and information to you as quickly as possible. Information about the Sapphire Event Center can be found at their website: <http://www.sapphireeventcenter.com/>. Thank you Campbell Barrett, Missoula County 4-H Agent.

Changes for Fair:

New admission prices for Fair. This year there is no button for admission. Instead, 4-H members and their families will have the option of purchasing a wrist band for \$8.00. This will admit you to the Fair all 5 days. Otherwise, a single day admission is \$5.00 or a pre-sale 5-day punch card is \$20.00. As always, children 10 years and younger are FREE. A souvenir button can be purchased and will be entered into a 50/50 drawing.



SWINE CHECK-IN WILL BE TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 17TH FROM 6:00-9:00. Enter on Oak Street, exit Tamarack.



2007 Summer Fair "Summer Days & Country Ways" July 18-22, 2007

FAIR ENTRIES - VERY IMPORTANT!!!!

ENTRY DEADLINE FOR FAIR: June 29th, 2007

(late entries will be accepted with a late fee from June 30 to July 9th.)

ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRIES AFTER JULY 9TH, NO EXCEPTIONS!!!

This year entries will close 1 week before fair and **ABSOLUTELY** no one will be allowed to enter the fair after that. It is difficult to plan ahead for ribbons, space needs, animal stalls and pens, etc if late entries are allowed and not fair to others who have abided by the rules. Remember, you can only enter items at fair in projects in which you are enrolled in. If you miss the last deadline, your children WILL NOT be allowed to exhibit at the fair. Please be considerate of the amount of time it takes to put on a fair and get your entries in on time! **Fair entry books and entry forms will not be mailed out**, you can pick up pre-printed entry forms at the 4-H office or online at www.gallatinextension.com.